

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Good Day, Chairman Martin. I want to give congratulations on your appointment as Chair of the FCC. In your new leadership role, I urge you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). I believe that the Fair Share Plan will keep the USF fair, ensuring that consumers like me do not pay the same rate into the USF as big businesses, regardless of how little I may use long distance.

I already pay fees through my regular Land Line Phone, and I don't mind (much) paying fair fees on services I use. But I feel the Flat Fee System would place an unfair burden on me and on other small consumers.

The Keep USF Fair Coalition submitted the Fair Share Plan to the FCC on January 31, 2005. It expands who pays into the USF so that other technologies - not just phones - pay into the system. The Fair Share Plan collects the USF using a combination numbers-and revenue-based plan. This keeps the system fair, equitable and avoids discrimination.

The flat fee or numbers-based plan you are considering, would force people like me who make few long distance calls to pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. I believe it is unfair to charge low-volume and residential customers the same fees as high-volume residential or business customers. For that matter, I think those corporations that place thousands of unwanted calls per day (i.e. telemarketing groups) should pay extra for the privilege of harassing the public.

I urge you to keep the USF fair. Adopt the Fair Share Plan. Thank you, and best of luck in your new position.

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

Sincerely,

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